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**Around
the Army****Fort Knox:**

The Turret reported July 6 that more than 50 competitors will face off on Fort Knox when the American Cavalry Association holds its biennial bivouac and competition at Keyes Park Sept. 13-17.

1st Lt. Shawn Bergstrom of Fort Knox's 16th Cavalry Regiment, who's in charge of the cavalry competition, said competitors will be coming from near and far to take part in the event.

"It's not a major military event. It's a fun thing," Bergstrom said.

Before and after the competition, which will include things like highest jump and quickest course time, people will be "camped out" in and around Keyes Park.

For more on this story and other Fort Knox, Ky., news, visit www.thengcenterprise.com/turret/ on the Web.

Fort Belvoir:

The Eagle reported July 6 that a \$10,000 donation by the Fort Belvoir chapter of the Armed Forces Communications Electronics Association had helped students at Mount Vernon High School create 25 unusual machines.

The donated money was used to establish a Robotics and Engineering Club at the school and to buy electronic learning labs, micro-controller kits, Lego Mindstorm robotic kits and Vex robotic kits.

AFCEA makes donations and offers scholarships every year with money raised from membership fees, corporate events and conferences.

For more on this story and other Fort Belvoir, Va., news, visit www.belvoireagle.com/ on the Web.

Fort Lewis:

The Northwest Guardian reported July 10 that Equity Residential, the Army's private-sector partner for housing, with support from the Fort Lewis Public Works Directorate, will soon launch a program designed to produce a more effective, responsive system for assigning housing on post.

The plan aims to balance the wait times among the ranks and provide living space appropriate to the sizes of families.

Not only is there not enough on-post housing for some ranks, but available housing often doesn't meet the space needs of Soldiers with families.

The new system has taken months to produce and incorporates substantial feedback from Soldiers and military families. It will create 729 more quarters for E-1s through E-3s, substantially wiping out the current wait list of 816 Soldiers in those ranks. Similarly, company-grade quarters will grow from 180 to 253, partially relieving the 160-officer list at that level.

Quarters for specialists through staff sergeants will actually decline in number, but grow in square footage, responding to a demand for larger units for junior NCOs with children.

For more on this story and other Fort Lewis, Wash., news, visit www.nwguardian.com/ on the Web.

Picerne to build homes in 'camp'

By Mike Heronemus
Editor

Picerne Military Housing plans to begin residential site work in Camp Forsyth this fall. The project calls for 751 new homes for Fort Riley families and a community center in the area across Trooper Drive from the post commissary and Rally Point.

The diagram of the planned project shows homes for company grade officers,



senior and junior noncommissioned officers and junior enlisted members, the community center in the middle of the neighborhood and a baseball or softball diamond centrally located.

The new residential area will replace Infantry Parade Field, the deployment storage lot for privately owned vehicles, overflow recreational vehicle storage lot, two training facilities and the Fort Riley Riding Club's stables.

The buildings used for MOUT (Military Operations in Urban Terrain) training will be torn down, said Col. "Ty" Smith, U.S. Army Garrison commander. The herm-

enclosed tactical base was moved to the Multi-Purpose Range Complex, where that

training can be handled temporarily, he added. Permanent facilities are being built to replace that site.

The Outdoor Recreation Center shut

down its shotgun range operations July 1,

when Picerne assumed responsibility for

that area of ground, said Rex Willey of the

Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation.

The directorate staff is pursuing partner-

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In and out – fast

116th MPs run through drills to clear threat from buildings

By Mike Heronemus
Editor

"Stairs right," shouted Sgt. John Mariana as he rushed into the World War II-era, two-story wooden barracks building at Camp Forsyth July 6.

"Cubby hole left," he warned.

The rest of the 2nd Squad, who "stacked up" in an almost-chest-to-back line behind him outside the entrance, rushed into the building, hot on his heels. Each Soldier pointed his or her weapon's muzzle up the stairs and then to the 1-foot-square cubbyhole in the wall might contain an armed enemy.

Each took only a couple of seconds to check out each area before moving on, staying close to team leader Mariana. The last 116th Military Police Company Soldier in the squad kept his weapon and his attention pointed to the rear, providing security for the rest of the squad members.

The U.S. Soldiers made their presence in the building known from the beginning, yanking open the door and yelling what they saw and reported their progress for other squad members to hear as they moved from room to room through the ground floor of the building.

As they completed checking each nook and cranny, making sure no enemy insurgents or other people were inside, they yelled "room cleared" to let others in the squad know no one or no threat had been found.

Tactics could send in MPs slow, quiet or fast, loud

Military police use two types of operations to clear a building, Sgt. 1st Class Jason Dunsen explained. In law enforcement operations, "you're usually dealing with a barricaded person or a hostage situation," he said, so everything is done quietly, slowly and deliberately to keep the MPs' presence unknown.

In combat operations, the goal is to get in quickly and kill any threat to U.S. Soldiers, he added. The 116th MPs were practicing combat operation building clearing July 6, breaking through doors, moving quickly through the building to locate hostiles and eliminating those hostiles.

Walk through building-clearing drills began after lunch with 2nd Squad Leader Cpl. Emerson Sullivan and Mariana teaching the rest of the squad what to do and how to check every corner and cranny in the building.

The Military Operations in Urban Terrain training was new to some of the military policemen, but familiar to some who had already spent time in Iraq. But, it

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Above: Members of the 2nd Squad, 1st Platoon, 116th MP Co., move back through the ground floor of a building during MOUT training July 6. At left: After "stacking up" at the entrance to a building, the 2nd Squad rushes in to clear the building.

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1st Inf. Div. cases colors for move

By Stephen Baack
1st Infantry Division PAO

WURZBURG, Germany – Officially marking the end of 1st Infantry Division's residency in Germany since its Soldiers arrived 10 years ago, the division bade farewell to its host country during a

departure ceremony at Victory Park on Leighton Barracks July 6.

The colors of the Big Red One are scheduled to be unfurled at Fort Riley Aug. 1. Among other missions, the division is slated to take on the training of foreign security forces training teams in support of Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom.

Numerous special guests attended the farewell event, including Gen. David McKiernan, U.S. Army Europe commanding general; Lt. Gen. Ricardo Sanchez, V Corps commanding general; Command Sgt. Maj. Uli Savusa, USAREUR command sergeant major; Lt. Gen. Wolfgang Otto, German Army Forces Command commanding

general; Dr. Pia Beckmann, Wurzburg's lord mayor; and Dr. Paul Beinhofer, Lower Franconia District president, who also spoke during the ceremony.

Despite numerous deployments to distant countries within the past 10 years, Big Red One Soldiers

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ships with local ranges so that the center's customers' shooting needs are met, he said.

The "footprint" of the Camp Forsyth area now Picerne's responsibility will not affect the center's archery range, Willey said, but the center will have no area to expand its facility on Rifle Range Road, so the directorate would look elsewhere on Fort Riley if expansion is needed.

The riding club will have to move by Oct. 1, Smith said. The club has been offered another on-post site across Rifle Range Road from the obstacle course, he added, but moving the club will be a challenge.

"The Army is not authorized to relocate them," Smith explained. "We're hoping some private donor will step up and help these Soldiers move their horses. The riding club is and old and cherished tradition at Fort Riley, and we want to try to preserve it."

The stable has boarded as many as 50 horses. A year ago, club membership numbered 20 families - 42 individuals.

Not all the Camp Forsyth area has been transferred to Picerne control. A strip of land running from the 24-hour Army and Air Force Exchange System Shop-



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Infantry Parade Field in Camp Forsyth will be covered by new family homes within the next 10 years as part of Picerne Military Housing's development plan for Fort Riley. The AAFES 24-hour shoppette (left) will remain.

pette to the levee on the north side of the Republican River has been reserved by the post for possible construction of a Child Development Center and chapel complex, said Mike Goreham of the Directorate of Public Works.

Post officials also have mentioned efforts to locate a sit-down restaurant in the area. The east side of Trooper Drive did not go to Picerne, either. The Outdoor Recreation Center took over responsibility for the RV storage lot there and the commissary will

not have to move.

AAFES officials said about 30 percent of the design work has been done on building a new main post exchange next to the commissary.

Plans are to open the new store in late 2008, said Judd Anstey, an AAFES spokesman in the Dallas headquarters.

The main post exchange building on Custer Hill will be converted to a "PXextra" with hardware, garden shop and furniture included in its merchandise selection, he

said.

The 24-hour shoppette and gas station at Camp Forsyth will stay where it is, he added.

Plans for Camp Forsyth include a new elementary school in an area on the western edge of Colyer Manor or on the corner of land bounded by McCormick Road and Trooper Drive, Smith said, but the post has to work with Geary County Unified School District 475 about building a

school.

"We feel we're going to need another elementary school," Smith said, but the school district must fund and arrange for its construction.

The Camp Forsyth facelift began in June with placement of several relocatable buildings north of Trooper Drive near the soccer field. Those buildings will become offices for Picerne Military Housing and the post's Residential Community Initiative team, said Charlie Williams of DPW.

The Camp Forsyth plan calls for 751 new family homes, but the completed project will only add 400 new homes to the post's quarters inventory, Smith said. As Picerne demolishes and rebuilds homes in other areas on post, those densely populated areas will be thinned out, he said.

"We'll use the first new homes built as swing space to move people off the hill (Custer Hill) to de-intensify those housing areas. We will get rid of all the eight-plexes. Those are the ones that have two bedrooms."

Two-bedroom homes will cease to exist on Fort Riley, Smith said. The new standard will be

nothing less than three bedrooms for any family living on post.

Site work in Camp Forsyth will include roads and utility lines, all the responsibility of Picerne Military Housing, said Brian Beauregard, Picerne's representative at Fort Riley. That should not require anything special, he said, because the post has sufficient drinking water and wastewater treatment and electrical service infrastructure to handle the residential addition.

Nearby Colyer Manor will see some improvements, too, Beauregard said. The brick quarters there will be demolished and replaced with new homes, he said. The senior enlisted quarters in Colyer Manor will be renovated.

The development plan agreed to by Picerne and the Department of Defense allows Picerne 10 years to complete its major development on post, including demolition of old homes, construction of new homes and major renovation of some homes.

The last 40 years of the agreement calls for needed renovation of the newer homes already built on post, Beauregard said, so the biggest changes will be seen between now and the end of 2016.

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1st Engineers:

About 550 Soldiers of the 1st Engineer Battalion are on their way to the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, Calif.

The Engineers will be conducting a mission readiness exercise from through Aug. 6 in preparation for their upcoming deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Leadership change:

Command Sgt. Maj. James Noble, garrison command sergeant major at Fort Riley, will retire during the post's monthly retirement ceremony July 26 at Ware Parade Field.

Command Sgt. Maj. Michael R. Mathews, former 2nd Battalion, 70th Armor, command sergeant major, will assume the duties during a 9 a.m. change of responsibilities ceremony June 14 at Ware Parade Field.

Noble served as the garrison command sergeant major beginning in May 2003.

Grand opening:

A new supply store officially opened after an 11 a.m. ribbon cutting ceremony July 11. Fort Riley's new Envision Xpress store, Building 7929, is located next door to the former supply store and will serve Soldiers and civilians.

Envision Xpress equips Soldiers, civilian employees, contractors and local ROTC organizations with office supplies, fur-

niture, janitorial supplies and cold weather gear.

The new facility contains an 5,000 square feet more than the former supply store.

Retirement ceremonies:

Col. Lee Staab, 24th Infantry Division assistant division commander for support, and Col. William Perkins, 24th Inf. Div. chief of staff, will retire at a 9 a.m. ceremony July 21 on Ware Parade Field in front of the post headquarters.

The post's monthly retirement ceremony will be 9 a.m. July 26 on Ware Parade Field.

Long-term care:

A program expert is holding an educational seminar on long-term health care for civilian employees on post at 9 and 10 a.m. July 21 in the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center conference room.

For more information, call Durlene Z. Bryson, human resources technician, at (785) 239-6080.

Command change:

Lt. Col. Arlis Hummel assumed command of the 2nd Battalion, 291st Aviation (TSB), July 11 in a ceremony conducted at Cavalry Parade Field on Fort Riley.

The outgoing commander is Col. Eduardo Gutierrez.

Smith takes hospital's reins

Brooks moves to Army Medical Command's IG position

By Jan Clark
IACH PAO

Fort Riley welcomed a new commander to the U.S. Army Medical Department Activity and Irwin Army Community Hospital in a ceremony on Cavalry Parade Field July 7.

Col. Dawn Smith succeeded Col. Marilyn Brooks as the medical commander on post. Brooks ended her two-year command at IACH with orders making her the Army Medical Command's inspector general at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Smith arrives at Fort Riley following a tour of duty at Walter Reed Army Medical Center's Office of Integration. During her tour at WRAMC, Smith was deployed to Iraq as the deputy commander for administration at the 10th Combat Support Hospital in Baghdad.

"This MEDDAC enjoys a reputation of providing world-class healthcare to the Fort Riley community, the Great Plains Region and the Army worldwide," Smith said at the ceremony. "The number and variety of the attendees here this morning demonstrates the strong connection between this MEDDAC and the Fort Riley community. The organization's motto, 'We Care,' echoes through



IACH/Clark

Col. Dawn M. Smith, new Irwin Army Community Hospital commander, addresses her troops and the Fort Riley community July 7. Behind her are Brig. Gen. James K. Gilman (left), commander, Great Plains Regional Medical Command, and Col. Marilyn H. Brooks, outgoing IACH commander.

as proof of its commitment to not only the daily healthcare of the community, but to the overall mission and future of Fort Riley."

Brig. Gen. James K. Gilman, commander, Great Plains Regional Medical Command, praised Brooks' command accomplishments.

"During a time characterized by a number of potent strategic

today, we get to say hello to Col. Dawn Smith and her family.

"Dawn's career has been marked by superior achievement at every step along the way as she alternated between assignments in the operational Army and assignments in fixed or TDA facilities. She has served as both the executive officer of the 10th Combat Support Hospital in Iraq and worked as part of the team tackling the difficult job of integrating the operations of Walter Reed Army Medical Center and Bethesda National Naval Medical Center in the national capital area.

"Folks, you can't have two more diverse assignments than those two."

A native of San Antonio, Smith received her regular Army commission in the Medical Service Corps from Texas A&M University in 1982 through the Reserve Officer Training Corps.

She was a distinguished military graduate and holds a bachelor of science degree in bio-medical sciences from Texas A&M, a master's degree from the U.S. Army-Baylor University graduate program in healthcare administration and a master of arts in national security and strategic studies with distinction from the U.S. Naval War College.

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1st Inf. Div. PAO/Baack
Maj. Gen. Kenneth W. Hunzeker, 1st Inf. Div. commanding general, and Command Sgt. Maj. John D. Fourhman, division command sergeant major, case the division colors during the "Big Red One" departure ceremony at Leighton Barracks' Victory Park in Wurzburg, Germany, July 6.



1st Inf. Div. PAO/Baack
Artillerymen of the 4th Bn., 319th FA, render honors July 6. The former "Big Red One" artillery battalion was re-designated and re-assigned from the 1st Inf. Div. to the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team

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have built lasting relationships with German friends and colleagues.

For many, the ceremony marked a bittersweet day.

"When I think about the division leaving Germany and returning to the States, I can't help but be saddened just a little," said Maj. Gen. Kenneth W. Hunzeker, 1st Inf. Div. commanding general, whose speech followed those of Sanchez and Beinhofer.

"Like many of you, I've spent a large part of my military life here

in Germany. We will miss the culture, the people, the partnerships, the opportunity to travel and even the challenges associated with leading troops overseas."

"Serving in Europe has also afforded our leaders the opportunity to visit battlefields and walk the ground where our forefathers fought during World War I and World War II," Hunzeker said.

"We are humbled to have been so fortunate to be able to study our profession on the ground that was fought to bring back freedom

and democracy to this great continent," he added.

First established in 1917 during WWI, the division moved to Germany for the first time immediately after WWII and remained in-country until 1955, when it first moved to Fort Riley.

Since that time, the "Big Red One" answered the call to fight in Vietnam, Desert Shield and Desert Storm before returning to Germany for the second time April 10, 1996.

Within the past 10 years, the

1st Inf. Div. has played key roles during peacekeeping operations in Bosnia-Herzegovina and Kosovo and deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom from February 2004 to February 2005.

"The Big Red One" is privileged to have served more than 43 cumulative years on European soil," Hunzeker continued.

"Thousands upon thousands of 1st Inf. Div. veterans from almost every era in our history have shared in the experience of living and serving alongside our friends

and neighbors in this great country."

"The fond memories that we have all had serving in Europe help to forever link us to the

group of veterans who are very proud to have worn our patch and to the generations of Germans who have shown us hospitality for so many years."

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Riley Roundtable

This week's question:

Kansas has joined several other states in allowing people to carry concealed weapons. What's your opinion about people carrying concealed handguns?



"I guess it's OK and they have a license and have a permit. It's your right, but I would not carry one. Don't need to."

2nd Lt. Amaka Auer
Executive officer
Co. E, 610th Brigade Support Bn.
Hometown: Montgomery, Ala.



"Laws are in place for a reason. As long as they go through the proper procedures, it should be a person's right to do that."

Spec. Patrick Kelly
Medic
Co. E, 1st Battalion, 34th Armor
Hometown: Knoxville, Tenn.



"I'm OK with it. I have a South Dakota concealed weapons permit. It's your constitutional right."

2nd Lt. Randy Ready
Staff officer
HHC, 1st Battalion, 13th Armor
Hometown: Martin, S.D.



"It depends on who's carrying it. If you have a bona fide reason to protect yourself, then it's OK. But, just to carry it is not good."

Tiffin Schulz
Military spouse
Self-employed quilt maker
Hometown: Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.



"It's OK as long as a person is trained on how to use the weapon and if it's needed to do a job. If not job-related, what do you have to carry a weapon for?"

Kevin Shively
Government contractor
Hometown: Buffalo, N.Y.

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Editor's note: Carolyn Burch-Menzies is a freelance writer, columnist and a new, rather-green Army wife. She and her husband recently arrived at Fort Riley. She has written for Ladies Home Journal, Woman's Day and Romantic Homes magazine. Burch-Menzies joins the Post this week as an occasional contributing columnist. She can be reached at wrmissy2003@yahoo.com.

By Carolyn Burch
Contributing columnist

The cannon fires behind me not far away from my husband's office as I attempt to put a package in the car. I had noticed from the corner of my eye the uniformed guys a few feet away stop to salute, but forgot what happened next on post. I've only been here twice before. Of course, dropping my package, the two men try not to crack up as I curse about never getting used to that.

There is just no hiding the fact that I am a rather green wife in the middle of this frontierland they call Kansas. And I'm finding it isn't so easy being green.

See, I've never been green like this before. I met and married my high school sweetheart after having not seen him in 25 years and re-falling in love.

It's all very romantic, actually. Divorces behind us, we began again – a modern family of many children, and oddly enough, with our first loves all over again. But then we got sent here, very same first duty station he started with 17 years ago as a specialist. And coming back to this place where he began, with the girl he began with, is just one of many reminders to us that one of the truths of life is that life is eternally circular.



Carolyn Burch

I'm fiercely independent, opinionated, just a little bit crazy. And all that put together makes me a challenge for my poor stoic sergeant guy in the newly activated 4th IBCF (I remember the abbreviated version only by telling myself it stands for the fourth Internet Brigade Combat Team. In my head, I envision a bunch of Army guys sitting around playing an Xbox version).

An analyst friend of mine says I think that way in an attempt to deny the danger of his work and the word "infantry" altogether. My husband says that is a bad idea, because sooner or later I'll make a Freudian slip and say it like that.

They are both probably right. He seems to know all the answers and all these things automatically and watches me like a mother hen, sometimes helpfully, sometimes helplessly, as I fall into mistakes and misunderstandings in post life and etiquette.

And he probably should know. He has deployed four times, (twice to Iraq), so he's a career Army guy, fluent in several languages and a good Soldier. And I am probably not such a good Soldier's wife, as I attempt and often fail at learning my new role in life without many accidental

misadventures along the way. We are a rather odd couple. And I make him sweat me a lot, I'm afraid.

I try not to, of course, but I can't seem to help it. Like many of the functions we get invited to, or times when I run across someone he later runs across and they say to him, "I know you! You're Sgt. Stoic!" Or like today for instance, when I got invited to a ladies coffee at one of the colonel's homes on the hill and ended up sitting and visiting with the entirely wrong person completely by accident. I know those are times when he's totally sweating me.

The fact that he's a legal NCO makes him toe the line and I, for one, am not much of a rule follower. We clash on occasion, this legal guy and I. Not because I break laws, but I just, well, stand out all the time and he'd rather me be more like wallpaper.

He's the team player and I am the free agent. He is messy and fast when he eats, and I am delicate and precise, which just occasionally makes me think he's a bit of a caveman.

"It's safer not to draw attention to yourself in a combat situation," he says matter of factly, as if it applies to me somehow, just as he reminds me not to walk across the grass by his office ("There could be mines!") and reminds me to watch what I say as I talk to the general's wife.

I still think there is some sweating to go for him, though, on that frontier.

Like this column, for instance. He's really really sweating this column. I can't ever imagine why, can you?

KansasKronicles

My new life gives him reason to sweat

Pen Points

Getting 'shot' taught me about training

By Mike Heronemus
Editor

I got in the way and I got "shot" the other day. It didn't hurt a bit.

Military policemen assigned to the 116th MP Company were learning to clear buildings. I couldn't move fast enough to stay clear of their rush through the hallways and rooms while firing blanks at planted targets.

They were learning to accomplish the mission while protecting themselves from enemy threats.

I learned a lot, too. I learned that the Army relies a lot on its junior and senior noncommissioned officers to conduct the training that will keep Soldiers alive if they deploy to Iraq.

NCOs conducted all the training I witnessed. The "how-tos" and "whys" came off-the-cuff from the NCOs' personal knowledge gained from manuals read, plans thought through and first-hand experience gained from doing the job during previous rotations.



Mike Heronemus

This wasn't classroom study. It was "listen up" and "OK, let's do it" stuff that kept the "students" from going to sleep.

No time for that. No time for "playing" at being a Soldier. This was the stuff they needed to know by rote, the stuff that would keep them alive.

Sometimes the everyday things Soldiers do gets taken for granted ... mostly by those of us not directly involved.

Sometimes it's good to walk where Soldiers walk, just to keep things in the right perspective.

Sometimes we need to get 'shot,' even if it's with blanks.

Grunt By Wayne Uhden



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Two groups of Kansas Air and Army National Guard color guard members practice wheeling their horses in a line June 29. The Guard Soldiers were at Fort Riley to learn cavalry formations and skills from the Commanding General's Mounted Color Guard troopers.

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Troopers share knowledge

By Anna Morelock
Staff writer

The American flag is never cased or uncased in front of the crowd, explained Sgt. Dustin Young of the Commanding General's Mounted Color Guard at Fort Riley. He was coaching Kansas Army and Air National Guard members watching from the bleachers at the CGMCG's arena June 29.

"We just show up looking glorious," quipped Sgt. Shawn Day to the volunteer members of the novice and Kansas Reserve Component color guard.

The Guard members are based in Topeka, Kan., but were at Fort Riley June 29-30 for training on how to be a mounted color guard. They formed the volunteer color guard about two years ago and have been practicing ever since.

The volunteers don't have any formal training as a color guard, said Master Sgt. Shawn Willard, one of the color guard members. "We're very lucky to be able to come out here."

The Guards' training began by watching a demonstration by the CGMCG and learning how to properly handle the flags.

After the demonstration, they saddled their horses for some hands-on drill and ceremony practice. Most of the members of the new color guard have been around horses, but a few are new to the



Above: A CGMCG horse (right) and a Guard horse get to know each other during the training June 29.

Right: Sgt. Dustin Young, CGMCG, shouts encouragement to Guard member Capt. Lisa Mullinax as she jumps a hurdle.

Post/Morelock



saddle, Willard said.

Willard, who's been around horses his whole life, said he thought the color guard would be a neat experience and another way for him to get involved with the Guard.

"It's pretty tough for us," Willard explained. He and his brother Brian run a construction company, and the other members all have other jobs, so finding the time to practice can be challenging. "We all have regular jobs. We do all the practice and these events on our own time," he said.

The color guard members normally meet in a centralized location two days of the month to practice and have already participated in several parades and events throughout Kansas.

They've gotten more into it, Willard said, as more and more people find out about the group and request them for events.

"We do it because we want to," he said of the mounted volunteers.

The National Guard color guard members ride their own horses and had to purchase much of their own equipment at first. Willard said state funds have been acquired to help with the purchase of saddles and period uniforms for

the group.

Despite the personal time and costs, the Soldiers were eager to start work on their own demonstration the second day of training.

"Sometimes I wonder if we don't bite off more than we can chew," Willard said, "but it's exciting."

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Recycling awards:

Small unit Recycle Troop Incentive Program Winners for 3rd quarter fiscal year 2006 were 1001st Military Police Battalion, first, \$750; Dental Activity, second, \$500; and 774th Explosive Ordnance Detachment, third, \$250.

Medium unit winners were 2nd Battalion, 34th Armor, first, \$1,000; 2nd Battalion, 70th Armor, second, \$750; and Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Brigade Combat Team, third, \$500.

Large unit winners were 1st Battalion, 16th Infantry, first, \$1,250; 125th Forward Support Battalion, second, \$1,000; and 1st Battalion, 41st Infantry, third, \$750.

The Reserve unit winner was 2nd Battalion, 289th Field Artillery Regiment (TSB), \$750.

Environmental training: The Environmental Division, DPW has scheduled the following training courses for the month of July:

Environmental Team Training Refresher. July 24, Room 6, Building 407. Class starts at 9 a.m.

This course is an annual refresher to the Environmental Team training course.

Battery Hazard Awareness Training (Code Name Lithium). 10 a.m. every Wednesday in Building 1930 at Camp Fun-

ston. The class lasts one hour.

This course is designed for key personnel who in the course of their duties receive, store, issue and then transport lithium batteries for disposal.

This course includes training on the characteristics and hazards associated with the various types of lithium batteries used on Fort Riley.

This course includes training on health, safety and personal protective equipment when handling lithium batteries.

For more information or to enroll in these classes, call 239-2305 or 239-0446 or check with a battalion schools noncommissioned officer

Severe weather training:

Members of the Fort Riley Installation Safety Office are available for severe weather safety training. Training covers indicators of severe weather, developing emergency action plans and other safety tips.

To arrange a class date, time and location, call the safety office at 239-2514.

Best of America:

The Best of America by Horseback television segment filmed at Fort Riley in November 2005 will air the week of Aug. 9 as part of the "Lakeview Plantation" show on RFD (Rural Family Development) Channel 379 on DirecTV and on Dish TV Channel 9409. No time was available.

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South Dakota pays bonus to vets on duty, discharged

Army News Service

PIERRE, S.D. – South Dakota is paying a veterans bonus of up to \$500 to certain military personnel who were legal residents of the state for no less than six months immediately preceding entry into the Armed Forces, who are on active duty or were honorably discharged from the Armed Forces, and who served on active duty during one or both of specified periods.

For service between the dates of Jan. 1, 1993, through Sept. 10,

2001, payment will be made only to those who served overseas and were awarded the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal, Kosovo Campaign Medal or any other U.S. campaign or service medal awarded for participation in combat operations against hostile forces.

All active duty between the dates of Sept. 11, 2001, through a date to be determined, qualify for the bonus payment.

This program also allows payment for active duty during Desert

Storm dates of Aug. 2, 1990, to Dec. 31, 1992, for those individuals who did not receive payment for service during this period.

Application forms may be obtained by writing to: SD Veterans Bonus, 500 E. Capitol, Pierre, SD 57501 or by calling (605) 773-7251.

Forms also can be requested by sending e-mail to john.fette@state.sd.us.

Requests must include name, street or PO Box number, city, state and zip code.

Army raises enlistment age

Army News Service

FORT KNOX, Ky. (Army News Service, June 22, 2006) – The Army has raised the enlistment age to 42. The change is part of the Fiscal Year 2006 National Defense Authorization Act.

The Army raised the active-duty age limit to 40 in January as an interim step while it worked out the additional medical screening requirements for recruits ages 40 to 42.

Before January, an applicant could not have reached his or her 35th birthday.

The Army Reserve age limit was raised from 35 to 40 in March 2005.

Raising the maximum age for Army enlistment expands the recruiting pool, provides motivated individuals an opportunity to serve and strengthens the readiness of Army units.

More than 1,000 men and women over age 35 have already enlisted since the Army and Army Reserve raised their limits to age 40.

All applicants must meet eligibility standards, to include passing the physical standards and medical examinations; however, those 40 to 42 will be given additional medical screening.

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was the first time the 2nd Squad would be clearing a building as a unit.

"Our company formed last July (2004)," explained 2nd Lt. David Rolen, 1st Platoon leader. "We've spent most of our time in Soldier and team certification (on weapons, etc.). This past spring, the company trained in squad-level combat tasks, such as conducting checkpoints, road blocks and convoy protection, including the use of civilians on the battlefield scenarios, he added.

"This is the first time we've dedicated training time to room clearing," Rolen said.

The room-clearing training would be important to his Soldiers, said Dungan, platoon sergeant for the 1st Platoon. "Only about one-quarter of my Soldiers have experience in Iraq," he said.

Dungan served as a military police squad leader when he was in Iraq.

Military policemen get some introduction to clearing rooms and buildings while attending advanced individual training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., Dungan said, but most of what they will need to know they will get at Fort

Riley before deploying.

"These are good buildings for this training," said Spc. Cody Woodruff. The 2nd Squad MP returned from duty in Iraq with the 300th Military Police Company from Fort Riley a little more than a year ago, and "clearing buildings" is pretty much all we did." He was stationed in Mosul.

Woodruff admitted the old Army barracks don't replicate buildings built in Iraq, but "we'll see some of the same type of things" in Iraq buildings seen in the MOUT training buildings at Fort Riley.

From his experience, Woodruff said he saw something different every time he went into a building. "A carpet could be lifted up and there could be 10 people under it," he added. The MOUT building being cleared by the 2nd Squad July 6 had no carpets on the floor.

Woodruff and fellow Soldiers of the 300th MP Co. trained in the MOUT buildings at Camp Forsyth for three months before they deployed to Iraq. That three months of training helped him a lot, Woodruff said, even though the types of buildings he helped clear were different.



Sgt. 1st Class Jason Dungan uses his kevlar helmet July 6 to signify a critical site that his platoon will need to secure. Before the platoon broke into squads to practice clearing buildings at the MOUT training site that day, he had them planning placement of Soldiers, work and sleep shifts, backup routes if help is needed, escape routes if over-run and more.

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Recruiters use World Cup to attract translators

By David A. Salazar

Army News Service

FORT MEADE, Md. — More than 300 million people in over 200 countries are expected to tune in to the World Cup of Soccer this year.

Most viewers see an impressive display of athleticism and international camaraderie on a global stage, but local Arab-American community leaders helped Army recruiting officials here see an opportunity.

To promote the Army's Arabic Translator Interpreter recruitment program, recruiting officials launched an all-Arabic recruitment advertising campaign airing exclusively on Arabic television during the World Cup games.

Since the ad campaign began airing June 9, nearly 160 phone calls have been taken from potential applicants who cite the ad as the reason for calling, according to Chief Warrant Officer Jack Bai-

ley, chief of the Special Missions Recruiting Division.

The ad has so far generated 28 leads from potential applicants who have been pre-screened by call-center operators, Bailey said. The leads have been forwarded to recruiters for follow-up and further screening. Of those 28 leads, seven were collected June 11, the same day as the Iran-Mexico match.

If the trend continues, U.S. Army Recruiting Command will amass more than 100 pre-screened applicants by the end of the campaign's run. Recruiters need about 250 O9L Soldiers to meet this year's goal.

The quest to make contact with the elusive audience began when the 1st Army Recruiting Brigade, headquartered at Fort Meade, Md., held its first-ever O9L Conference in Washington, D.C., in May. Local Arab-American community influencers participated.

"The conference became a

strategy session looking for ways the Army can get the word out to this target audience," explained Tom Owen, the field marketing representative for McCann-Erickson Worldwide Advertising, assigned to 1st Brigade.

Arab-American community members sent a clear message to the recruiters: If you want to deliver this information to the Arabic speaking community, advertise on what they love to watch — soccer.

"If there's one thing that can get us into every (Arab-American's) home, it's (soccer)," said Joumana Chahine-Sleiman, the Army's lead Arab Translator Interpreter recruiter.

Owen, Chahine-Sleiman and members of the 1st Brigade's Advertising and Public Affairs team quickly developed television spots in Arabic to air on the Arab Radio and Television Network during the month-long World Cup tournament.

The 30-second ad will air 260 times over 64 televised games. Additionally, a separate 10-second spot, primarily to announce the Army's sponsorship of the World Cup games, will air 540 times.

"(It'll be) a complete shocker — not only because it's in Arabic, but in the sense that the U.S. Army is making an effort to reach out to the parents and not just the kids themselves," Chahine-Sleiman said. "Lots of these parents are immigrants and don't speak a lot of English, so this

gives them the chance to see for themselves what O9Ls are doing."

Since the inception of the O9L recruiting effort in 2003, finding qualified individuals to enlist has not been the main difficulty — appealing to their parents has.

"Normally the parents have the final say in any decision" young Arab men and women make, Chahine-Sleiman explained.

"This ad will help them actually see that their children can make a very positive impact in those places."

The ad features images of O9L

Soldiers interacting with Iraqi and Afghan nationals, police and children. Translated to English, the script reads: "I am a bridge between two cultures. I am an American Soldier and an Arabic interpreter. I build schools and bring running water. I make the children smile because I can speak with them. I am making changes in the world. Join me in the Army and you may qualify for a \$10,000 bonus and expedited citizenship. To find out more, go to goarmy.com/translator or call toll-free 866-635-8450."

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Youth services:

Two classes are scheduled July 15. Red Cross babysitting class will run from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Home Alone Training will run from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Both classes are taught at the Teen Center.
For more information, call 239-9173.

Vacation Bible School:

The Fort Riley chapel staffs invite all children ages 5 to 10 to the Treasure Cove Vacation Bible School. The treasure hunt will take place at Morris Hill Chapel from 9 a.m. to noon Aug. 8-11.

Space is limited and pre-registration is required by July 30. For more information, contact the directors of religious education at 239-0979 or 239-4815 or send e-mail to donald.ericson@us.army.mil or carolyn.juenemann@us.army.mil.

Adult and high school volunteers are still needed. To volunteer, call 239-4815.

Kids' drawing contest:

Operation Holidays is sponsoring a contest and fundraiser for Christmas. Children can enter drawings to be judged for selection of four winners that will be reproduced and sent to Soldiers deployed overseas this coming Christmas.

Entries will be judged in four categories: Children ages 4 to 6, ages 7 to 9, ages 10 to 13 and ages 14 to 17. Entry fees are \$1, \$2, \$3 and \$4, respectively, for each category. Entries should be sent to Operation Holidays, P.O. Box 2160, Fort Riley, KS 66442 by July 31.

First place winners in each category receive a certificate, their picture posted on the Operation Holidays Web site, drawing used as a Christmas card and a grand prize for the age group.

Second place winners will also receive a certificate, will have their picture posted on the Web site and will win a prize for their age group.

Third place winners will receive a certificate and have their pictures posted on the Web site.

For more information, call (785) 717-5483.

School, sports physicals:

Irwin Army Community Hospital's School and Sports Physicals Fair is scheduled for July 29.

The fair is open to all children 4 years of age and older. Physical forms should be completed before the appointment time. The forms may be picked up at the hospital front desk.

Walk-ins will not be seen. Appointments can be made by calling 239-DOCS (3627).

Story time:

The next story time sessions for young children will be 1:30 and 4 p.m. July 15 in the post library on Custer Hill.

For more information, call 239-5305.

Stay In Step with Fort Riley

See what's happening on Fort Riley cable Channel 2 every day at 6:30 a.m., 8 a.m., noon, 6 p.m. and 10 p.m.

'Thank you' picnic features food, fun

By April Blackmon
Com. Rel. Officer

Free food and entertainment will fill the football field and grounds of Fort Riley Middle School July 22. The "Thank You Fort Riley" picnic will run from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

"We want to thank Fort Riley Soldiers, family members and

employees for all that they do," said Sam Robinson, director of the Junction City/Geary County Military Affairs Council. "It's also a chance for Junction City and Geary County to interact with Soldiers and to get the two communities to know each other better."

The picnic will feature 8,000 smoked sausages, chips, drinks and desserts – all donated by area

Picnic, rally coincide

Find out about the Flint Hills Freedom Run, a bike rally to benefit wounded Soldiers, on page 13.

businesses. Several giveaways are scheduled throughout the event, including Junction City Chamber Checks, free oil changes, newspaper subscriptions, golf course

memberships and more.

"We are working hard to provide an afternoon of great family fun," Robinson said. "We hope that there will be something for

everyone to enjoy, whether it's the free food and entertainment, the cars or the kids activities."

An Apache helicopter and several classic and unique cars will be on display. In addition, the Manhattan Recruiting Battalion will bring a rock climbing wall and "Humvee." The Commanding General's Mounted Color Guard will set up an encampment.

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Shining stars



Missoula (Mont.) Children's Theater Program employee Renee Roberts goes through a stage move with one of the youngsters auditioning July 10 to be in the July 15 production of Robin Hood.

Kids try out for Robin Hood performance

By Mike Heronemus
Editor

Fort Riley auditions July 10 for the Missoula (Mont.) Children's Theater production of "Robin Hood" seemed more like having fun and playing games than trying out for roles in a stage show.

The 30 children wanting to be in the show recited dramatic lines, danced, sang and showed emotions when opening an imaginary box and finding whatever surprise Renee Roberts said was inside.

The children laughed throughout the 2 1/2-hour audition, obviously having fun.

If you go:

What: Missoula Children's Theater production of "Robin Hood"
Where: Fort Riley Teen Center gym
When: 3 and 7 p.m. July 15
Admission: Free

"The children will have a lot of fun doing the show," Roberts assured one of the parents who came up to talk after the auditions ended.

Roberts is one-half of the theater pro-

gram's hired pair responsible for staging the show at two military installations and numerous civilian communities that form a large loop through the midwestern United States extending from the Michigan peninsula in the north to Little Rock Air Force Base, Ark., in the south.

She now calls Seattle home but once participated in the Missoula Children's Theater Program while living in Missoula. Melissa Carroll, from Winston-Salem, N.C., makes up the other half of the traveling pair. Together, the two women haul 400

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Classes, support benefit marriage

By Jack Lee
1st Mob. Det.

An old Army bromide goes something like this: "If the Army wanted you to have a wife, it would have issued you one."

That sentiment doesn't seem to apply now. Fifty-four percent of the Army's Soldiers are married, according to information provided by the Army G1 Human Resources in its Army Profiles (FY05), found on the Web at www.armyg1.army.mil/hr/demographics/FY05%20Army%20Profile.pdf.

Fort Riley added another married Soldier to its ranks when Staff Sgt. Geoff Peterson of Company B, 125th Forward Support Battalion, married Renee McKain of Manhattan, Kan., in a traditional military ceremony held recently at the Main Post Chapel.

'Never say never'

The couple met online, met for lunch, found they had a lot in common, fell in love and married.

"I swore I would never marry a military guy," said Mrs. Peterson.

"My friends told me 'never to say never'...then I met Geoff. I knew before he knew that we would get married," she said.

That first luncheon lasted four hours. Neither wanted to leave each other's company. "The possibility of a deployment came up during our first conversation," said Mrs. Peterson. So she wasn't completely surprised when her then-boyfriend rotated to Iraq for a second tour.

"We were able to e-mail and talk on the phone," said Peterson, adding that keeping in touch with Renee was very important to him.

Fitting in

Before the deployment, Peterson invited his section Soldiers and family over for a barbecue and to meet Renee. It didn't seem to matter to anyone that it was January and three feet of snow covered the ground.

"I met all the wives and girlfriends. They made me feel very welcome," Mrs. Peterson said.

During the deployment, the section wives would get together to talk, hash out problems and support each other. "I was very happy they accepted me as part of the group," she said, adding that it didn't seem to matter that she was in a girlfriend status and not a spouse.

"Often, wives would call and we would talk about what was going on at the home front while their Soldier was deployed," Mrs. Peterson said. Her participation in the company's Family Readiness Group earned Mrs. Peterson a Certificate of Appreciation for Patriotic Civilian Service.

Once home from deployment, Peterson decided to ask Renee to marry him. Even though it

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Proper foot care important in summer

By Richard Elliston
Podiatrist

Summer conditions and activities, while enjoyable, can be hazardous to your feet. Some tips to keep your feet healthy include:

- Avoid going barefoot, especially if you are diabetic or have a loss of sensation in your feet. You may not be aware of a puncture wound caused by objects, such as glass or nails, that could develop into a serious infection. Going barefoot also exposes your feet to viruses and warts.
- While you should avoid going barefoot, some foot problems can be attributed to shoe



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gear. A common danger of wearing sandals is cracked skin on the heels of your feet. This condition can be treated and resolved in two to three days by coating the heels with petroleum jelly and covering them with a plastic wrap and socks while you sleep.

If you're going to wear sandals, alternate them with closed toe shoe gear. Sandals may be

fine at the beach or around the locker room, but don't wear them while on an extended walking excursion, such as shopping or at a theme park. Wear shoes appropriate for the activity.

- Corns and calluses should be treated with a pumice stone after a shower or bath. Avoid using a sharp instrument to shave these thick areas of skin.

• Protect the skin on your feet by changing athletic shoes daily to allow them to dry out. This requires at least 24 hours. Powder your feet and wear socks made of acrylic fiber. Use sunscreen to protect the exposed skin on top of your feet. Trim toenails straight across, not curved.

- Remember to inspect your feet daily and enjoy the summer.

Should you have questions about proper foot care or treatment, call IACH's Nurse Advice Line at 239-DOCS (3627).





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Courtesy photo/Smith

Renee McKain and Staff Sgt. Geoff Peterson reflect on their first meeting - a lunch that lasted more than four hours. "We were very comfortable with each other from the get go," said McKain.

seemed that family and friends knew the proposal was going to happen, "I was totally surprised," Mrs. Peterson said.

Strengthening personal bond

Although he didn't need command permission to marry, Peterson informed his chain of command. Because they were using a post chapel for the wedding, the couple was required to attend the pre-marriage seminar conducted by Family Life Ministries on post.

"The seminar uses the Prevention and Relationship Enhancement Materials to educate the couples," said Chaplain (Maj.)

Carl W. Rosenberg, Family Life Ministries Center chaplain. "Couples that have three or more hours of pre-marital preparation have a 46 percent lower divorce rate than those who had none. "They also learn about the resources available on post to assist in developing their relationship," Rosenberg said.

One of the better known resources is the Army Family Team Building program. AFTB Program Director Becky Willis explained that you can take the AFTB classes online, but "for the new military spouse, I recommend that they take the classes here at the Soldier and Family Support Center.

"We get more specific than the online training does and give

Want more information?

For more information on marriage in the military, deployments and family resources visit MyArmyLife. Too. at <http://www.myarmylifetoo.com>, or Militaryonesource at <http://www.militaryonesource.com>.

them tons of resource information and points of contact here at Fort Riley," Willis said, adding that AFTB wasn't around when she was a new Army spouse. "That would have made my life so much easier," she said.

Another resource is the New Spouse Orientation. This half-day class presents speakers that discuss the various post resources available.

The FRG serves as a corner-

stone resource for each unit. "We encourage all spouses to get involved in their FRG," said Betsy Young, mobilization, deployment, outreach program manager. "FRGs are a source for official information, such as training, holidays, block leave and social functions.

"During deployments, FRGs are the key to staying informed and getting official information," said Young.

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Bikers rally to raise funds, awareness for wounded Soldiers

By Lisa Litchfield
Task Force Dagger P4

It began with a casual dinner conversation. It will end with the Flint Hills Freedom Run, a motorcycle rally in Wamego, Kan., July 22 to benefit the Fort Riley Wounded Soldiers Fund.

Todd Nutsch and Tate Fisher, local businessmen and motorcycle enthusiasts, are two of the driving forces behind the freedom run. While neither has served in the military, they have close ties with families and friends who have.

Nutsch's conversation with his sister-in-law while his brother Mark was serving with Army Special Forces in Afghanistan started him thinking there should something more out there for wounded Soldiers, he said. It wasn't until he met retired Command Sgt. Maj. Brian Wells that he realized there was something more.

Wells, an active member of the Association of the U.S. Army, told Nutsch about the Fort Riley Wounded Soldiers Fund. Established in 2003, it is a non-profit charitable fund that provides financial assistance to injured Soldiers in times of financial distress.

Since 2003, the fund has provided more than \$100,000 in grants to wounded Soldiers. Most Soldiers don't know that the fund offers a \$250 stipend to any wounded Soldier removed from the theater of operation, Wells said. Further financial assistance is provided on a need basis. All the Soldier has to do is apply, he said.

This was the link Nutsch was looking for. As he put the conversations with his sister-in-law and Wells together, the idea for the bike rally was born.

More information

For more information on the Fort Riley Wounded Soldiers Fund, visit their Web site at www.msa.org/riley or call Wells at (785) 458-2824.

Information on the Flint Hills Freedom Run can be found at www.flinthillsfreedomrun.com.

"While we may have had the initial idea, it's been a lot of factors outside of us that have taken this to where it is now," Nutsch said.

One of those factors was meeting Staff Sgts. Nic Wetherill, Jason Briglin and Tim Johnson, all members of the "Dagger Brigade" — 2nd Brigade, 91st Division — mobilized at Fort Riley.

The sergeants met Nutsch and Fisher while riding and started spending time with them. "I got involved because it is a good cause and we keep good company," Johnson said.

Nutsch likes having military members involved. "These guys have had service overseas in the sandbox. It gives a heightened sense of awareness of what we're doing when they are out there with us," he said. "People always think that Tate and I are in the military," Nutsch said. "Since we aren't, it is good to have the guys out with us that can give a face to the mission," he said.

Part of the intent for this rally, Nutsch said, was to come up with a new fundraiser for the fund. The

previous fundraiser, yellow magnetic "Support Our Troops" ribbons, has become less viable because the market has been saturated with similar products.

The possibility of the rally becoming an annual event isn't being looked at until this first rally is complete. "It will depend on how good of a job we've done on logistics and planning," Nutsch said. "The event needs to be a success for the city of Wamego," he added.

Planning and promotion for the event has taken "hundreds upon hundreds of hours," Todd said. "Of course," he added, "planning would insinuate forethought."

Tate nodded in agreement. "It's hard to plan something when it's exploding in front of you and you're just trying to chase after it," he said.

The term "exploding" seems to be a little strong, but it's hard to come up with a better term when two businessmen are able to raise more than \$12,000 in less than 20 days.

"It's amazing the response people have had," Nutsch said. "Our posters have made it all the way from Nebraska to Colorado to Missouri. The biker community is a very charitable community," he said.

Nutsch added that this rally was significant because, "there's never been anything like this in this part of the country." Nutsch and Fisher are optimistic that this event will be a success and translate into an annual fundraiser for the Wounded Soldiers Fund.

While some may hear the term "motorcycle rally" and automatically think muscles, tattoos and beer, Nutsch and Fisher aren't worried about a perception that

bikers are a tough crowd.

"Bikers today, all you have to do is look at the price tag," Nutsch said. Fisher agreed with him. "There are more CEOs at Sturgis (S.D. rally) than outlaw bikers," he said.

Nutsch said it was Fisher's idea to bring in an exhibition stunt bike team to help diversify the crowd. He said that events like this tend to get "pigeon-holed" as being only for Harley riders or "cruiser" bikes. The hope for this rally is for a wide variety of riders to come and enjoy the event.

The rally is set up as a "poker run" with the best hand at the end of the day winning a cash prize. Nutsch said that the Christian Motorcycle Association, headed by Chuck Bramhill, has taken full charge of the poker hands.

"The amount of labor they are donating is huge," Nutsch said. The CMA will man 10 stations at each stop during the rally. They are employing a secure "no cheat" system that will ensure that everyone has a fair chance for the winning hand at the end of the rally, he added.

During the poker run, which begins and ends in Wamego, the participants, "whether 200 or 2,000, will move as one group," Nutsch said. "Local, county and state law enforcement will be involved in holding traffic as the

group moves from one station to the next," he said.

Nutsch stresses that while the rally is a time to get out and enjoy the companionship and camaraderie of riding together, the important thing to remember is that this is for the Soldiers.

"This is something they [the civilian population] can do to help," he said. "This fund is out there. We want people to know that it is available, and we want to raise awareness as well as raise funds," he explained.

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crans and Military Appreciation Committee.

A site map can be found in an ad in this week's Post newspaper. For more information, call the Military Affairs Council at 238-1270.

"I really hope Fort Riley takes advantage of this opportunity," Robinson said. "It is all for free. The only thing we as a community want out of the event is to know that the Soldiers and families had a good time."

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Picnic

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Inflatable attractions and a sand box with hidden "treasures" will be set up for children to enjoy. Kids can dig up a variety of prizes.

"People can come out and walk around to see the displays and visit the MWR (Morale, Welfare and Recreation) booth, or they can bring their lawn chairs and blanket and just enjoy the free entertainment," Robinson said.

The Alton Miller Band is slated to perform during the picnic. Miller, a former Fort Riley Sol-

dier, is most known for his song, "The Man That Made the Medal." The band recently performed at Sundown Salute in Junction City.

Several parking areas will be available near the site.

Picnic organizers will have volunteers helping direct traffic. Overall there will be about 100 community members out in bright green T-shirts answering questions, serving food and operating the entertainment.

The event is sponsored by the Junction City-Geary County Vet-

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Robin Hood

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costumes, 60 copies of the script, sound effects apparatus and the sets in a small red pickup with a bed cover protecting it all from rain and other elements.

They form one of 43 teams hired by the Missoula Children's Theater to offer the week-long programs to an expected 60,000

children in all 50 states and 15 countries this summer, Carroll said.

At Fort Riley, the cast was set just before noon July 10. Micah McCurry got the starring role of Robin Hood and Katrina Ashley would play Maid Marian.

Caleb McCurry was picked to

play the dastardly Sheriff of Nottingham, Alexis Miskevish got the part of Prince John and Tasauna Brown was cast as Marian's lady-in-waiting.

Every child who auditioned got a part. Some will be aristocrats, others will play Robin Hood's merry men, foresters, horsemen, guards or skunks. "Every child will have lines (to say)," Carroll said.

The fun was to continue with rehearsals scheduled to start the next day and end with a dress rehearsal around noon July 15. "They rehearse about 20 hours total," she said.



Post/Heronemus

Young auditioners show off with a "big ending" to a marching dance routine July 10 while trying for a role in the Missoula Children's Theater Program's "Robin Hood."

HOUSE FILL AD



Home Wanted

Heidi is a lovable, well-mannered German Shepherd/Chow mix available for adoption. She weighs about 45 pounds and is around 2 years old. Heidi was found wandering in a training area with some other dogs and ran right up to a group of Soldiers who brought her in to find a home.

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Main Post

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Fort Riley Sports & Recreation

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Sports news in brief

Prairie run:

The 21st annual 10-5-2 Mile Prairie Run is scheduled for July 22 on Fort Riley. Runners can register now through 6-45 a.m. on race day. Entry fee is \$15.

The 10-mile and 5-mile races begin at 7 a.m. at King Field House. The 2-mile race begins 10 minutes later.

Awards will be given to the top three finishers in each gender and age category. An overall first place award will be presented to the top male and female finisher in each race.

Williston Point Road will be closed to traffic for the race. For registration information, call the Fort Riley Sports Office at (785) 239-2172 or 239-3724. Information also is available online at www.riley.army.mil.

Wrestling clinic:

Child & Youth Services is sponsoring youth summer wrestling clinics on post July 24-28.

Clinics will be held at the Teen Center at 10 a.m. for youth ages 5-10 and at 11 a.m. for youth 11-15 years old.

Registration is under way. Space is limited and participation granted on first-come, first-served basis. Cost is \$35 for the week.

All participants must be registered with Child & Youth Services Central Enrollment, Building 7434. A current sports physical is required to participate.

For more information, call 239-4847.

Company level slow-pitch softball scores

American League

July 5
Co. A, 2nd Bn., 34th Armor, defeated 2/356, 2nd Bde., 91st Div., 30-1

Co. B, 1st Bn., 16th Inf., Nationals defeated Co. A, 2nd Bn., 34th Armor, 16-13
HHC, 2nd Bn., 34th Armor, defeated Co. B, 1st Bn., 16th Inf., Nationals 6-2

D Trp., 4th Cav., defeated 72nd Eng. Co. 13-11
72nd Eng. Co. defeated 15th

Finance 13-1

Co. B, 101st FSB, won by forfeit over Co. B, 1st Bn., 34th Armor

D Trp., 4th Cav., won by forfeit over Co. B, 1st Bn., 34th Armor

July 6

Co. C, 1st Bn., 16th Inf., defeated Co. B, 101st FSB, 19-12

Btry. D, 1st Bn., 5th FA, defeated MEDDAC/DENTAC 18-17
Co. B, 1st Bn., 16th Inf., Nationals won by forfeit over

FSC, 1st Eng. Bn.

MEDDAC/DENTAC defeated 111th Sapper Co. 15-1

2/356, 2nd Bde., 91st Div., won by forfeit over FSC, 1st Eng. Bn.

HHC, 1st Bn., 34th Armor, defeated D Trp., 4th Cav., 19-13

D Trp., 4th Cav., defeated 111th Sapper Co. 14-8

D Trp., 4th Cav., won by forfeit over 41st Eng. Co.

Co. A, 2nd Bn., 34th Armor, defeated Co. B, 101st FSB, 16-13

National League

July 5

Co. C, 1st Bn., 13th Armor, defeated 172nd Chem. Co. 20-4

Co. A, 2nd Bn., 70th Armor, defeated 1st Maint. Co. 23-1

Co. C, 1st Bn., 41st Inf., defeated 3/362nd Armor, 2nd Bde., 91st Div., 8-6

Co. C, 1st Bn., 13th Armor, defeated 3/362nd Armor, 2nd Bde., 91st Div., 11-6

July 6

3/362nd Armor, 2nd Bde., 91st Div., won by forfeit over HHC,

4th IBCT STB

1st Maint. Co. won by forfeit over HHC, 4th IBCT STB

Btry. A, 2nd Bn., 32nd FA, won by forfeit over 2nd Sqdn., 4th Cav.

Co. A, 610th BSB, defeated Co. C, 610th BSB, 14-11

Battalion League

July 5

2nd Bn., 34th Armor won two games by forfeit over 1st Eng. Bn.

MEDDAC/DENTAC defeated 610th BSB 19-11 and 24-4

Softball standings (as of July 6)

Battalion League

	Wins	Losses
1st Eng. Bn.	3	7
2nd Bn., 34th Armor	9	1
MEDDAC/DENTAC	6	4
610TH BSB	2	8

National League

	Wins	Losses
HHC, 3rd BCT	0	9
Co. C, 1st Bn., 41st Inf	3	5
Co. C, 1st Bn., 13th Armor	11	1
Co. A, 2nd Bn., 70th Armor	8	4
Co. C, 2nd Bn., 70th Armor	3	7
Btry. C, 4th Bn., 1st FA	11	6
Svc. Btry. 4th Bn., 1st FA	7	8
Co. C, 70th Eng. Bn.	11	2
Co. B., 125th FSB	8	5
596th Sig. Co.	4	10
HHC, 2nd Bn., 16th Inf.	5	5
2nd Sqdn., 4th Cav	10	1
Btry. A, 2nd Bn., 32nd FA	3	7
Co. A, 610th BSB	2	12
Co. B, 610th BSB	8	6
Co. C, 610th BSB	2	11
Co. D, 610th BSB	7	1
Co. E, 610th BSB	8	6
Co. F, 610th BSB	1	6
Co. G, 610th BSB	9	4
HHC, 4th IBCT STB	0	2
24th Trans. Co.	7	3
2/2 HET	4	6

172nd Chem. Co.	3	9
1st Maint. Co.	5	7
3/362 Armor, 2/91st	6	6
CGMCG	1	2

American League

	Wins	Losses
HHC, 1st BCT	4	10
Co. B, 1st Bn., 16th Inf. #1	0	3
Co. B, 1-16th Inf. Nationals	7	2
Co. C, 1st Bn., 16th Inf.	14	1
HHC, 1st Bn., 34th Armor	11	1
Co. B, 1st Bn., 34th Armor	3	9
Co. C, 1st Bn., 34th Armor	1	11
Btry. B, 1st Bn., 5th FA	9	5
Btry. D, 1st Bn., 5th FA	8	2
HHC, 2nd Bn., 34th Armor	12	3
Co. A, 2nd Bn., 34th Armor	11	4
HHC, 1st Eng. Bn.	4	15
FSC, 1st Eng. Bn.	8	13
111th Sapper Co.	7	14
41st Eng. Co.	8	8
72nd Eng. Co.	2	8
HHDCo. A, 101st FSB	2	10
Co. B, 101st FSB	10	6
D Trp., 2nd Sqdn., 4th Cav	7	2
HHC, 24th Inf. Div. (Mech)	4	7
15th Fin.	1	11
977th MP Co.	2	5
MEDDAC/DENTAC	10	4
10th ASOS	7	4
116th MP Co.	6	6
HHDCo. A, 101st FSB	2	2



Big catch

Trevor Bartlett holds up a flathead catfish he caught from Moon Lake July 7. The fish, which weighed in at just over 30 pounds is the second large flathead caught out of Moon Lake in the last couple of years. The photo is by Gibran Suleiman

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Sports news briefly

'Beach' volleyball:

Geary Rehab & fitness is sponsoring its 2nd Annual Co-ed Volleyball Tournament from 10 p.m. to midnight Aug. 12 at the sand volleyball court adjacent to the Sonic restaurant in Junction City.

Teams of no more than eight people can enter. Six people will play at one time, with a minimum of three females on the court. Teams must pay a \$60 registration fee at Geary Rehab & Fitness by Aug. 1. Trophies will be awarded to top three teams.

For more information, contact Kristy Eickholt at 238-3747 or kristythet@yahoo.com

Gymnastics camps:

Gymnastics summer camps will be held at the Middle School Teen Center Gym for children ages 3 to 18. The camps will be held July 31-Aug. 4 and Aug. 7-11.

Camps run 10-10:55 a.m. for 3- to 5-year-olds, cost \$45; 11-11:55 a.m. for 6- to 8-year-olds, cost \$45; and noon to 1:30 p.m. for 9- to 18-year-olds, cost \$55.

Call 239-4847 for appointment to register for class

Soccer camps:

Junction City High School summer soccer camps will be conducted in July on Filby Field on 14th Street in Junction City.

Co-ed soccer for grades 3-8 will be from 8:30 to 11 a.m. July 17-21. Cost is \$15.

Boys soccer for grades 9-12 will be from 3 to 6 p.m. July 17-21. Cost is \$15.

Co-ed soccer for ages 4-6 will be from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. July 17-21. Cost is \$10.

Camps will be supervised by Coach Lara Staker. She can be contacted at larastaker@usd475.org or 717-4200, extension 5881.

Application forms are available at youth services on post

and the YMCA, Twelfth Street Community Center, Screen Machine and the high school athletic department in Junction City.

A high school pre-season soccer training program sponsored by Challenger Sports is scheduled for July 24-28 at the Junction City High School soccer field on 14th Street between Eisenhower and Westwood in

Junction City.

Sessions for students in grades 8-12 will be conducted from 8 to 11 a.m. and from 4 to 7 p.m. Cost is \$50.

Applications are available at youth services on post and the YMCA, Twelfth Street Community Center, Screen Machine and the high school athletic department in Junction City.

Applications should be sent to Edgar Torres, 1015 Skyline

Drive, Junction City, KS 66441.

Personal trainer:

A personal trainer is available by appointment for exercise sessions at King Field House.

A 60-minute session costs \$20. A 60-minute session for two people costs \$30.

To set up an appointment, call 313-3165.

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Leisure time ideas

At the movies:

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$3.50 for adults and \$1.75 for children 11 and under. Children under the age of 5 are free except during children's matinees or expected sell-outs.

July 14 – The Break Up (PG13) 110 Min

July 15 – The Omen (R) 105 Min

July 16 – Over the Hedge (PG) 96 Min

July 20 – The Break Up (PG13) 110 Min

July 21 – Cars (G) 116 Min
For more information, call 784-2226 or 784-2640.

Manhattan:

What: "Recent Works" by Kari Lennartson. Art exhibit of bold abstract paintings that explore the various meanings of "home."

When: July 22 through Sept. 2. Museum is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Where: Manhattan Arts Center, 1520 Poyntz Avenue
Admission: Free
Web site: www.manhattanarts.org

Abilene:

What: "The Music Man." Stage musical written by Meredith Willson

When: Through July 23, showtime 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 2 p.m. Wednesdays and Sundays, 8 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays

Where: Tietjens Center for the Performing Arts
Admission: \$17.50 adults, \$11 students
Phone: (785) 263-4574 or (888) 222-4574

Junction City:

What: Summer concert in the park and movie. Cuzster plays the sounds of good old rock and roll followed by "March of the Penguins."

When: July 15, concert at

7:30 p.m., movie after concert.
Where: Heritage Park, Sixth and Washington Streets.

Admission: Free. Limited seating, take a chair or blanket.

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What: "Essence of Summer" concert. Features the Ginger Commodore Quartet from Minneapolis, Minn., Kenny James Kwartet from Kansas City, Mo., and 3 A.M. from Lawrence, Kan. Show features melodic rhythms of classic, Latin, smooth jazz, funk, old school and R&B.

When: 7 to 10:30 p.m. July 22

Where: Marriott Convention Center, 310 Hammons Drive

Cost: \$36 for adults, \$20 for students under 18 years old

Tickets: Junction City Arts Council (until July 20), 105 W. Seventh St., Twelfth Street Community Center, 1002 W. 12th St. (until July 18) Dillons, 618 W. Sixth St., and Marriott Convention Center (July 20-21 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m. each day and noon to 6:45 p.m. July 22)

Phone: (785) 213-3297

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What: Seventh annual Bluegrass and Old Tyme Music Festival. Performers include Judy Coder and Pride of the Prairie, Whitehouse Harmony, The O'Brien Family, Ready Brothers, Thad Beach, Fresh Green Grass, Pastense and Midnight Flight. Camping sites available.

When: July 28-29

Where: Milford State Park, 7 miles northwest of Junction City by Milford Lake

Admission: \$15 July 28, \$20 July 29, \$25 for weekend pass.

Phone: Milford State Park information available at (785) 238-3014. Performance information available at (785) 762-4995. For reservations, call (785) 238-3655.

Topeka:

What: Fifth annual Mulvane Women's Board Antique Show and Sale. Features quality vendors from across the Midwest with porcelain, folk art, majolica, flow blue, fine Americana, including coin silver, sterling, art

deco, furniture, art nouveau, country and varied objects de vertu.

When: July 28-30

Where: Lee Arena, Washburn University, 18th Street and Washburn Avenue

Phone: (785) 670-1124
Web site: <http://www.washburn.edu/mulvane>

Downs:

What: 126th annual Downs Celebration. Parade, carnival, games, events, and old-fashioned fun. Join the community for this annual festival.

When: July 14-15

Where: Downtown

Phone: (785) 454-6614
Web site: <http://www.downtownks.net>

Cuba:

What: Harvest Festival. Fun for young and old with road rally, horseshoe tournament, sand volleyball, entertainment, great food, carnival, and a street

dance.

When: July 15

Where: Main Stree and City Park
Phone: (785) 729-3482

Mankato:

What: Old fashioned threshing bee full of activates, including threshing wheat, horse plowing, and old blacksmith shop. There is a parade each day along with booths and games. Old fashioned Saturday night with entertainment and a street dance.

When: July 15-16

Where: 100 N. McRoberts St.
Phone: (785) 378-3141

Belleville:

What: NCK Free Fair. Many exhibits, commercial, 4-H, and FFA. Entertainment, food, and carnival. Held in conjunction with Midget National races.

When: July 25-29

Where: 9th and O Streets, fairgrounds
Phone: (785) 527-5554 or (877) 248-3462

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